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**REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION**

Applicant : George F. Kick, et al.  
App. No : 10/728,728  
Filed : December 5, 2003  
For : EXPANDABLE PERCUTANEOUS  
SHEATH  
Examiner : Sarah A. Simpson  
Art Unit : 3731  
Conf # : 1724

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Rabinder N. Narula, Reg. No. 53,371

**Mail Stop RCE**

Commissioner for Patents

P.O. Box 1450

Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

This Request for Continued Examination (RCE) is being made as follows:

1. Submission Required under 37 CFR 1.114:

(X) Enclosed:

(X) Amendment/Reply in 15 pages.

(X) Information Disclosure Statement and PTO/SB/08 Equivalent in 4 total pages (IDS and PTO/SB/08).

(X) (1) reference enclosed.

2. Fees:

The present application qualifies for Small Entity Status under 37 CFR 1.27.

FEE CALCULATION				
FEE TYPE		FEE CODE	CALCULATION	TOTAL
RCE Fee		2801 (\$405)		\$405
3 Month Extension		2252 (\$555)		\$555
			<b>TOTAL FEE DUE</b>	<b>\$960</b>

(X) An extension of time is hereby requested by payment of the appropriate fee indicated above.

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3. Payment:

(X) The amount of \$960 will be paid via EFS Web.

Please charge any additional fees, including any fees for additional extension of time, or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. 11-1410.

Respectfully submitted,  
KNOBBE MARTENS OLSON & BEAR LLP

Dated: September 21, 2010

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